

# PATENT APPLICATION

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FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR PRODUCING SECRETED TRIMERIC RECEPTOR ANALOGS AND BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE FUSION PROTEINS**

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE FILED	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119
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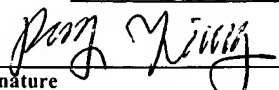
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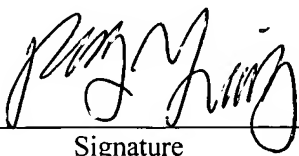
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Have the most relevant references been disclosed to the attorney and have the most relevant parts been pointed out and explained where necessary?	X_Yes _No

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